



Commanding Officer
Marine Air Control Group 18
Unit, Personal, and Family Readiness Program
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Readiness, along with training and discipline, are the priorities of my command philosophy. Family readiness is a key component of our overall readiness and is therefore critical to the success of the mission at Marine Air Control Group 18 (MACG-18).

MACG-18's mission is to deploy and employ as a Marine Air Command and Control System that provides the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Command, Control, and Communications support for the prosecution of all six functions of Marine Aviation.

The fundamental mission of the Marine Corps has not changed: to make Marines and win battles. As Marines, we must be the "most ready when the nation is the least ready". A high state of operational readiness and family readiness increases commitment, morale, focus, and resiliency to life events. There is a direct relationship between military proficiency and personal and family readiness.

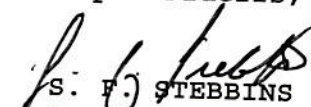
A Marine's family is a part of the MACG-18 family. The Marine Corps recognizes the individual Marine and their family as our most valuable resources. Our success as an institution is inextricably linked to the well-being and resiliency of each Marine and their family.

Family readiness is a combat multiplier equally important as individual and combat readiness. With families in a higher state of readiness, individual Marines are better able to perform their assigned missions efficiently, and safely.

The Family Readiness and Single Marine Program at MACG-18 will educate and empower Marines and their families to achieve and maintain a high state of personal and family readiness by providing information, tools, resources and support.

For information or assistance in all family readiness matters, contact the MACG-18 Family Readiness Officer, Mrs. Katrina Horsley-Watts, at 636-3837 or email at Katrina.Horsley@usmc.mil. For family members of single Marines, you can contact the Single Marine Program Coordinator, Lance Corporal Omar Trejo, at 636-3837 or email omar.trejo@usmc.mil. You can also visit the MACG 18 website at <http://www.1stmaw.marines.mil/SubordinateUnits/MarineAirControlGroup18.aspx>.

Semper Fidelis,


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